

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

(1) Please replace the specification with the attached substitute specification, excluding the claims and the Abstract. The substitute specification contains no new matter.

Attached hereto are (1) a substitute specification with markings showing all the changes relative to the immediate prior version of the specification of record, and (2) an accompanying clean version without markings.

(2) In the section titled Abstract on page 52, please replace the Abstract following amended Abstract:

The ~~computer interactive system~~ for performing interactive dialog of the present invention recognizes a question from a user and outputs an answer by a synthesized voice. The system includes; a selection unit for selecting the answer from a database; an evaluation unit for evaluating a dialog between the user and computer and determining whether ~~of~~ or not to continue the dialog. The evaluation unit may evaluate a dialog consistency, or dialog circumstance. Further, the selection unit selects and combines on the basis of the determination result the answer with one of a plurality of dialog sentences. The system may further comprises a learning unit for storing a novel answer unknown to the computer, by interrogating ~~by using synthesize unit~~ the user about the novel answer and further storing the interrogation scenario.